

Prayers of Intercession

God of justice and truth

We pray for those who are suffering in our world today because of the terrible and brutal decisions of others:

those who have lost their savings because of the deception of others,
those who have lost their homes, their lands,
or their livelihoods because of the greed of others,
those who have lost hope because of the abusiveness of others,
those who are suffering because of the selfishness of others.

Lord it is not fair, but receive our prayer and bring change

We pray for those whose integrity has cost them their jobs and their lives:

journalists, activists, film makers, whistle-blowers:
those whose names the world knows and those known only to their families and you.
We pray for places around the world where the abuse of power is being challenged:
for political prisoners, and for the work of organisations
who highlight human rights abuses.

And we pray for an end to violence; we remember especially the unrest in Bangladesh.

Lord so much isn't fair, but receive our prayer and bring change.

We pray for those injured and killed on the roads;
those involved in terrible accidents,
and those killed because of the reckless decisions of others.
We pray for all in the emergency services
called to deal with traumatic incidents day after day.

Lord so much isn't fair, but receive our prayer and bring strength.

We pray for those with big decisions to make: the people of America; the leaders of the world,
our churches, and our communities..., for those tasked with tackling knife crime;
And for those who are afraid every time they go out;
and for victims of violent crime and their families.

Lord so much isn't fair, but receive our prayer and bring strength.

We pray for one another in the decisions that lie ahead of us this week,
for those we know in crisis, for relationships that are in trouble,
for hearts that are breaking.

Lord so much isn't fair, but receive our prayer and bring strength.

Bring strength, bring change, bring hope, bring healing,
and help us all to contribute to a fairer world.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray **Amen.**

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Sunday 28 July 2024

Weekly Notices and Prayers (v1.0)

Bible reading for the week

Psalm 14: 1

The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good.

If you have any items that you would like to be added, or suggestions for inclusion, please advise [Mike Sims](#).



This Church has an inductive loop. Anyone attending Sunday services who has an appropriate hearing aid should switch to Channel T.

Sunday 28 July 2024

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Calvin has now left, for any urgent pastoral needs, please approach the acting Superintendent, [Rev Zena Smith](#) until the [Revd Pete Moorhouse](#) returns from sabbatical at the beginning of August.

[Services and Meetings this week](#)

Sunday – 9.30am – Our preacher will be Rev Agnes Sam, who will be our minister from September.

Monday – 2 to 3.30pm - [Cake and Kindness](#). Pop in for a free cup of tea/coffee and a piece of homemade cake. It is open to all!

– 7 to 7.15pm – **Rochford Prayer** via [Zoom](#). Meeting ID 942 6123 5641
Passcode: 331483

Wednesday – 12 noon - **Rev David Saunders Funeral** will be at the Congregational Church. Family only at The Crematorium.

Thursday – 7.30pm - **Table Tennis**. Please let [Colin and Margaret](#) know if you're planning to come as there are occasions when they do not meet, so it's worth checking first.

Saturday – 9.30am - Helpers needed to partially clear the church in preparation for the redecoration work due to start Monday 5th. If you don't have a bad back and can carry furniture safely please let me know if you can help at both or either of these sessions. It shouldn't take us too long. Val

[Forward Notices](#)

Next Sunday – 9.30am – Our service will be a local arrangement lead by the worship leaders.

10 August – 9.30am - Volunteers needed to move furniture to allow us to worship in the Greaves Hall whilst the church is redecorated.

[Other Forward Notices](#)

2 August – 10am – 12 noon - **Book Sale and Coffee Morning** at Chalkwell Park Methodist Church. Come and join us for a chat and refreshments and look at our gifts, books & cakes on sale. In aid of Church funds.

2 September – 7.30pm – **Welcome Service for Reverend Steve Mayo**, with music from the Southend Band. This special service will be held at Wesley Methodist Church.

[Other Information](#)

Church income was £326.00, which comprises the collection, Standing Orders paid directly into the Church account, plus other donations received over the last week.

Community Outreach Pastor update – Thanks to those who helped out with the light party, we had a lovely time and around 27 children came along. Lots of fun had by all! We had our first cooking club this week, which went well, and we all enjoyed our pitta pizza :) Mike Webb

JMA Boxes - It is that time of year again so if you have a JMA collecting box please can you let Judy have it for our annual accounts. Many thanks Judy.

Collect – Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those things which last for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Elderly Friends - Please remember – Pat Rubidge, Gwen Smith, Marian Webb, and Maureen Whalley. All those who live alone would also appreciate phone calls. (Carole has all the phone numbers.)

[Donations](#)

If you would like to donate to the work of Rochford Methodist Church, you can do so from [here](#). If you want to buy something new, please remember to do so through [Easyfundraising](#).

To create a **Standing Order** for Rochford Methodist Church you will need the following details: A/c Name Rochford Methodist Church; A/c No 90766712; Sort Code 20 79 73. If you are a taxpayer, please could you contact Bruce Glendenning so that a simple form can be easily filled in. We can then reclaim tax back on the donations.

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